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We had a great meeting yesterday. Navy Region NW presented their Sustainability Program (attached) describing their philosophy and steps forward. Thanks, Navy Region NW!

In addition, Hayden Street provided an overview of three federal biodiesel proposals which have been submitted by Navy Region NW to the West Coast Diesel Emissions Reductions Collaborative for potential funding to promote the increased use of biodiesel fuels by the federal government. These proposals (sent to you earlier by Barbara Lither) are part of a number of federal projects identified with the help of the Federal Network for Sustainability, which has been supporting the Collaborative. In a nutshell, the three projects propose the following:

- 1) Application of bio-diesel in small watercraft with evaluation of engine and fuel performance on a test stand, and evaluation of performance in an actual watercraft;
- 2) application of government bio-diesel fueling facility at Manchester to reduce emissions and operating costs; and,
- 3) Review current bio-diesel stations along the I-5 corridor, and develop and execute inter-agency and public-private fueling agreements to enable cross-use of existing bio-diesel stations.

EARTH DAY EVENT:

The IELC will lead Earth Day events at the Westlake Center on April 22 from 10am-2pm. The Seattle Federal Executive Board approved funding (\$1012) for a general banner to be used at multiple events and purchase of 'give-away' key chains with a FEB logo similar to "Seattle Federal Executive Board Collaborating for Effective Government Since 1962". EPA is taking the lead for the Westlake Center event (April 22nd, 10-2pm) including the majority of costs. They plan to have a 20'x20' booth that will be shared by participating agencies. EPA will do a 'dry run' on April 20th to determine how the booth will be set up and would like to have all items delivered by that date or have a clear idea of how much room you will need for display. If you plan to participate, please fill out the attached excel spreadsheet by April 8th and return to Brenda Bachman at the address above.

Thank you on behalf of your Organizing Committee:

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